

Message from our Pastor:

Hello brothers and sisters in the Lord!!!

Our God has risen! Our God has defeated death! Our God opened for us eternal life!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

I do not know how I would be in the face of death had not God done the amazing deed He did today for the salvation of believers.

Because of what God did today, Christ turned our death, our last breath, into our birth in eternity. Christ made the finiteness of our human nature the means to bring about the possibility of sharing with God infinity. We cannot wrap our heads around infinity. But that is what we experience and will experience as Christians because of what Christ has done for those who follow Him.

For the pastor message this week, I want to offer an invitation to any visitors we may have with us this weekend. I realize we usually get some visitors at Easter. This is a great thing and we are happy to have you.

But I want you to know that you are always welcome at our parishes (we are part of a cluster of three churches, St Peter, St John and St Patrick, served by three priests). Whether you attend other churches, are not Catholic or have just fallen away from the Catholic faith, please know God wants to be a bigger part of your life and this Church can help.

Each week at Mass here something amazing happens. All that power that raised Jesus from the dead, all that power that restored the blood flow in His veins, that resuscitated His heart, that got His nerves firing again, all that power is unleashed here each and every week.

Each week here at Mass, that powerful resurrected Savior is made manifest actually, in His Body and Blood, which we receive in Holy Communion. And the effects of consuming that power into our souls each week has a profound result. There is no medicine, food, vacation, promotion, or award that can satisfy our desire for wholeness and happiness as can intimacy with God. And it does not get more intimate that consuming God in Holy Communion.

Saint Patrick Catholic Church

April 15-16, 2017

Easter

Mass times: Saturday: 5:30pm
Sunday: 10:45am

Rosary: Sunday at 10:10am

Nursery: Available at 10:45 mass

Message from our Pastor (continued...)

If you have been away or are just tipping your toes into the water of Catholicism, please know we are here to help. We can help you have your children baptized, help you with a sicknesses or broken relationship, with a broken marriage, with a new marriage, in obtaining forgiveness or healing, or in any area where God is seeking to touch human life. He does this at church. He does this at our Church.

Please email any of the priests or the office or give us a call with anything you might need to put your relationship with God in its proper place. It's got to be number one. At the end of the day, we will never regret putting too much of ourselves into this most important of relationships. It's a relationship we will have forever.

God Bless you and Happy Easter!!! - Fr Rossi

News & Announcements:

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Sharing Sunday- May 7th: Please mark your calendars for May 7th to participate in Sharing Sunday. This is an opportunity for you to help others in need just by bringing with you to mass non-perishable food to be donated to a local food bank in our community (we will be giving to the St. Peter's Food Pantry). Suggested items – canned goods, cereal, tuna, peanut butter, etc. A table will be marked in basement to leave these donations.

Charity Concert benefiting Feed the Hungry & Heal the Sick:

The Knights of Columbus will host a concert featuring Three Sheets to the Wind, a 70's and 80's tribute band, and Diamon Heist, a Neil Diamond Tribute band. The concert will be on 4/28/17 from 6-10 pm. For details, or to purchase tickets, go to: FeedTheHungry.TicketLeap.com

Ministers Needed: St. Patrick's Parish is enjoying tremendous growth and we find ourselves in need of several ministers to ensure weekend Masses are celebrated seamlessly. Duties are easy to learn and you will be scheduled only once a month. Please reach out to Billie Keating with your interest and for details on becoming a Greeter/Usher, Altar Server or Sacristan. 804 347-7919; bjk6269@comcast.net

St. Francis Home: St Francis Home needs volunteers to assist sorting donated food. Please contact Bruce at bslough@saintfrancishome.com or Edna at eharris@saintfrancishome.com if you are interested in donating a few hours of your time.

Church Support as of 4/9/17

Weekly

Actual	\$9,192.00
Budgeted	<u>\$8,214.00</u>
Difference	\$978.00 ** THIS IS A 2 WEEK TOTAL

Year to Date

Actual	\$163,801.48
Budgeted	<u>\$168,450.00</u>
Difference	(\$4,648.52)

Attendance for April 1st & 2nd: 24/192

Attendance for April 8th & 9th: 50/160

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SPC Emergency #: 804-402-1221 - If someone is dying or has died and you would like to talk with a priest, please call the emergency number at any time.

Bulletin: All bulletin submissions must be emailed to Michelle Dawson the Tuesday prior by noon.

G I V E I N G

St. Patrick's depends upon your generosity. These walls, built by generations past, now need you to nurture them. Give what you can. No amount is too small. E-Giving makes it easy. <http://saintpatrickchurchhill.org> and click on this button.

